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- On 6 June 1953, KVP offices located in Dresden included:
Dresden I, Kommandeurschule A located on August Bebel Strasse, which was a school for infantry officers.
Dresden II, the Territorialverwaltung, which was located at Dr. Kurt Fischer Allee and, until 11 May 1953, included an element located on August Bebel Strasse which later allegedly transferred to the Baltic Sea coast.
Dresden III, which was an artillery school.
Dresden IV, which was an air force unit and, from 4 to 12 May 1953, had moved from Kallenz to the headquarters on August Bebel Strasse previously occupied by offices II and III.

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- On 1 May 1953, office IIT (artillery school) [redacted] 17 January to 6 June 1953, was transferred from the former Luftgaukommando on August Bebel Strasse to an installation located at the intersection of Dr. Kurt Fischer Allee and Marien Allee. This installation still housed elements of the district agency in blue uniforms which, however, were scheduled to be transferred soon. Office III consisted of the Hartmann headquarters with Polit deputy, Parteileitung and officer in charge of training, the headquarters company including signal detail, the instruction battery and six school batteries each of four platoons with three 3 to 9 men groups to each platoon. The headquarters company included 40 to 50 officers and as many NCOs and personnel while the instruction battery consisted of an undetermined number of officers and 52 NCOs and personnel. Each school battery consisted of 6 officers, 1 master sergeant, about 100 officer aspirants and about 15 NCOs and personnel. The officer's aspirants, NCOs and personnel had had to sign up for a seven-year's term of service.

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- Office III was equipped with 6 x 122-mm model M38 and M40 field howitzers, 2 x 152-mm M43 field howitzers, 2 x 76-mm AT guns of two different types, one which had a removable gun shield and the other with a gun shield similar to that of the 45-mm AT gun, and 1 x 122-mm mortar. The 76-mm AT guns and the 122-mm field howitzers were towed by limbers while the 122-mm mortar and the 152-mm field howitzers were towed by vehicles or prime movers. Two-axle Horch trucks of 1950-type were available. The ordnance officer had under his control light machine guns with drum feed, 08-type pistols, engineer equipment, optical equipment, field telephones, and gas masks. No gas instruction had yet been performed. The 2d Company was armed with 19 Soviet 44-type submachine guns with drum magazine and 100 carbines of 100-type with fixable bayonets.

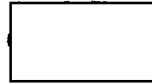
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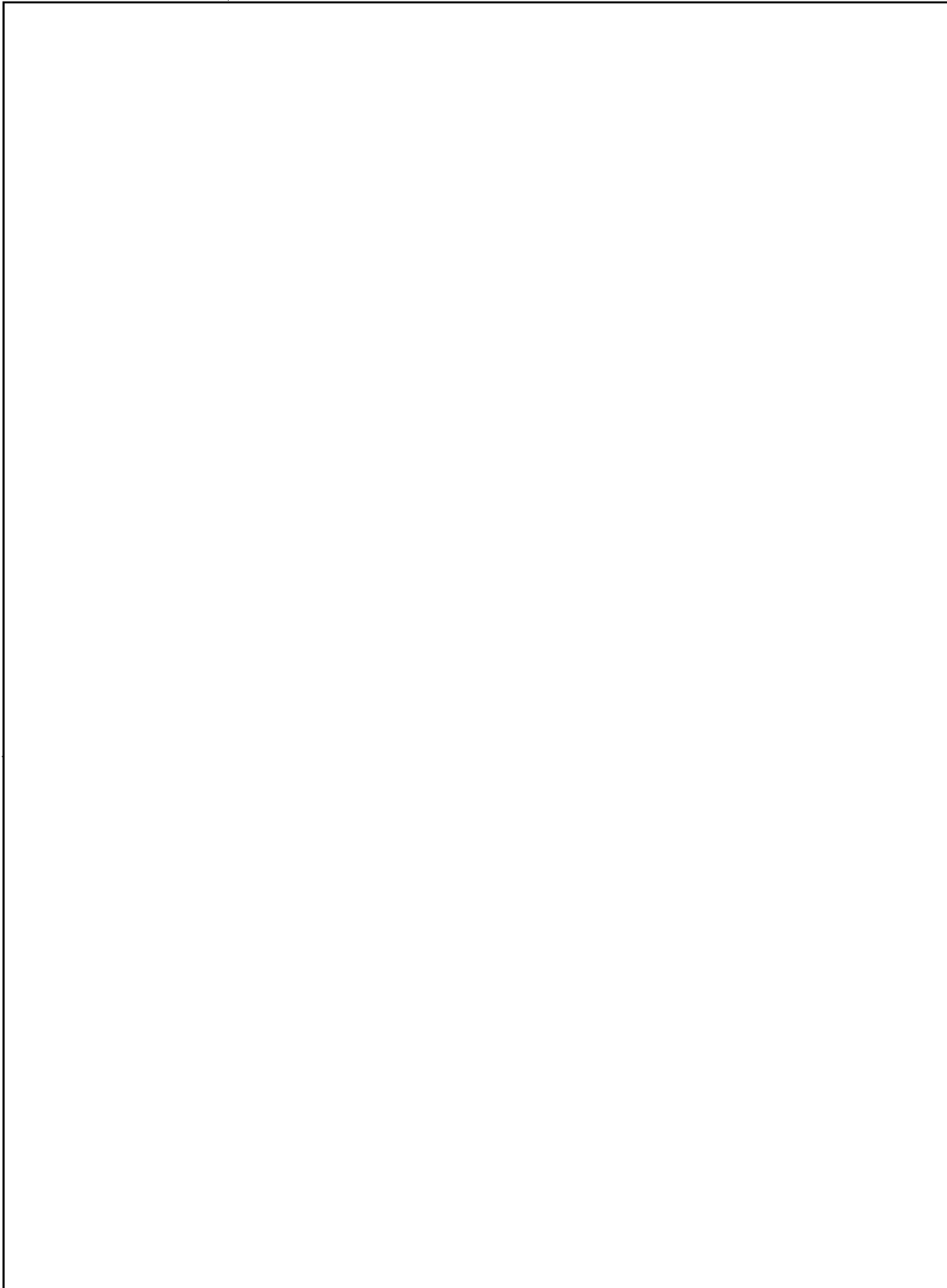
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On 2 June, each company had to turn in several carabines to units stationed on the Baltic Sea coast.

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5. Following is a tabulation showing service colors of the KVP:

Branch of Service	Piping	Collar Patch	Cap Band
Infantry	red	crimson	red
Artillery	black	red-bordered black	red-bordered black
Armored command	black	dark-blue- bordered black	blue-bordered black
Signal units	yellow	yellow- bordered black	yellow- bordered black
Administrative units	green	red-bordered green	red-bordered green
Border police	light green	light green	light green
Wilhelm Pieck detail at the Ministry of the Interior	light red	light red	light red

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The air force wore uniforms of a different cut with neckties and blue collar patches. Officers had an air force wing at their cap while NCOs and personnel wore cockades.

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1. Comment. Office Dresden I is an officers' school for tactics instruction for commanding officers of regiments and battalions and chiefs of staff. While the Kamenz airfield was under construction, the V₁ air regiment stationed there was temporarily transferred to Dresden-Klotzsche.

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2. Comment. [redacted] is commanding officer of TV 3000. Major [redacted] is commanding officer of the tactics officer's school. Colonel [redacted] is in charge of the school administration of the HVKVP.

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3. Comment. Available records indicated that tank and mechanized troops wear black-bordered blue collar patches while the engineers wear blue-bordered black collar patches. The Wilhelm Pieck detail probably is a guard regiment of the KVP in Berlin.

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